

Recent Advances in Hydrophobic Coatings

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Message from the Guest Editor

Dear Colleagues,

Surface functionalization through the deposition of coatings can have beneficial impacts on the substrate. Providing hydrophobicity to materials can widen their scope in numerous applications and improve their compatibility with polymers for developing strong durable composites. Hydrophobic coatings have been successfully fabricated using various approaches and have substantially improved substrate durability and performance. This issue welcomes research on waterproof coatings prepared by different processes and their deposition on a variety of substrates, such as bio-based materials, cellulose, ceramics, and metals.

The scope of this Special Issue will serve as a forum for papers based on, but not limited to, the following topics:

- Experimental research on hydrophobic, waterproof and water-resistant coatings.
- Recent advancements in multi-functional organic, inorganic, hybrid and self-cleaning coatings
- Coatings produced by different processes, including, but not limited, to sol-gel, plasma processing, CVD, and in situ additive manufacturing.
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